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## FITCH IS CONFIDENT

DISCREDITS DISPATCH SAYING ISLAND IS JAPAN'S.

Bond Was Filed With All Speed and Was Approved As All That Was Needed.

WASHINGTON, August 19.—Captain A. A. Rosehill has lost his fight for the ownership of Marcus Island. The State Department will this week issue a decision against Rosehill and acknowledge Japan's claim. Although the State Department is desirous of conforming with every formality, the decision might have been rendered before Captain Rosehill left Honolulu. Captain Rosehill claims he discovered the island in 1889, but the law of the United States bearing upon the ownership and the working of guano islands provides that a claimant shall file a bond with the Secretary of the Treasury. When Captain Rosehill filed his claim he did not file the bond, which was fixed at \$50,000. In fact, he did not file the bond until last year, and therefore his claim was not complete until that time.

When asked concerning the above dispatch this morning, Tom Fitch, partner and legal advisor to the enterprise, denied that there was or could be any truth in the report.

"The bond was filed," said Mr. Fitch, "within forty days of the decision of the president as to its requisite amount. It took sixteen days for the decision to arrive here. Within two days the bond was filed with the collector of the court here, as required, and by him approved. It was sent back to Washington to the Secretary of the Treasury on the next mail and there was no delay in the matter."

"The report that the State Department will or has rendered such a decision cannot be believed, because the cause attributed, that of the bond not being properly filed, is involved. The bond has been received and accepted as being all that the law requires. Somebody is jumping at conclusions from wrong premises."

## SUGAR PLANTERS COMBINE.

NEW YORK, August 9.—A special to the Sun from New Orleans says: F. M. Morrill, representing the New York and Philadelphia interests which have recently amalgamated the various street railroads, gas and electric light companies of New Orleans into one corporation, with a capital of \$50,000,000, has undertaken at the request of some of the largest sugar planters in Louisiana, a combination of all the sugar interests of the State.

Morrill said: "I do not see how the planters can fail to combine their interests in the near future. There is little use in attempting to dodge the prospect of Cuban reciprocity, and when Cuban sugar is admitted into this country on anything like an equal basis with Louisiana sugar, the planters of this State will find combination their only method of salvation."

## SORENSEN DIVORCE GRANTED.

Judge Gear this morning signed a decree of divorce as prayed for in the case of Olaf L. Sorenson vs. Franka St. Clair Sorenson, on the ground of desertion.

## AFTER "BIG GAME."

The Helene which was to have sailed this afternoon for Mahukona has been held over through the efforts of Samuel Parker until noon tomorrow when she will go to Kawaihine. Among the passengers will be Ex-Senator Thurston, J. P. McCrosson, Senator Burton, Dr. King and Mr. De Knight. The trip is understood to be undertaken in the interests of the Kohala Ditch Company as far as Samuel Parker, Senator Thurston and Mr. McCrosson are concerned, the other passengers merely going along to hunt. The trip is given out by the members of the party as a junketing trip for the purpose of annexing "big game," the big game supposedly being cattle and wild pigs.

## THE PYTHIAN PARADE.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 14.—San Francisco wore a holiday aspect yesterday. The Pythian parade of the afternoon was the loadstone that attracted more than 50,000 people to the main thoroughfares, where they stood for more than two hours awaiting the coming of the procession. In point of size and brilliancy the parade was not the equal of many seen here before, but its equal military character vested it with an interest that served to render it a highly satisfactory spectacle to the multitude.

Captain Smith, of the City of Peking, was a passenger on the Gaelic. He is on his way to the Atlantic coast to bring out the Siberia.



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## CABLE COMPANY NOT SATISFIED

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., August 9.—President Roosevelt today made formal announcement that he had granted the application of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company to land a cable on the shores of the United States, on the Islands of Hawaii and Guam and in the Philippine Islands, and for access to certain soundings and profiles in the possession of the Navy Department. NEW YORK, August 11.—George W. Clapperton, traffic manager for the Commercial Pacific Cable Company, says, according to the Times, that the company is not satisfied with the conditions imposed in the memorandum made public Saturday by President Roosevelt regarding the laying of a cable between San Francisco, the Philippines and China, and adds that a reply to the President's terms would be made in a few days. Clapperton was not prepared to say what the company's reply would be, but intimated that it would be in the nature of a counter-proposition, embodying certain modifications of the Administration's proposals.

One of the chief points over which the company is dissatisfied is that referring to the control of the line by the Government in time of war or when war is threatened, because in the terms submitted by the President no compensation is provided for. In regard to other clauses the company is disposed to meet the wishes of the President, with a few minor changes in detail. A draft embodying the company's various objections to the clauses added by the President to the proposed contract has been drawn up by the company's counsel, William W. Cook.

## KOREA TO BRING FRAWLEY AND HIS COMPANY

SAN FRANCISCO, August 14.—Three new steamers have been added to the Toyo Kaisha's steamer America Maru. They are situated on the upper deck and will be among the most attractive on the vessel. The steamer is to sail Saturday for the Orient. Much of the heavy scenery intended for use of the Frawley-Neill Theatrical Company in the Orient will be shipped in the America Maru, but the members of the company are booked to sail on the Korea in about two weeks.

## SIMS HAS CHOLERA.

"Jimmy" Sims was stricken with cholera in Manila last month. This news was brought yesterday by C. O. Ziegenfuss who passed through here on the Gaelic from Manila. Mr. Ziegenfuss had few details of the sickness of Mr. Sims, beyond the fact that the sick man was still alive according to the latest advices.

It appears that Sims together with two other white men, was seized with the disease at the English hotel at Manila. They were removed from the place by the authorities. Sims was taken sick about July 18. Ziegenfuss stated that he had been informed that Sims had died the following day of the disease. Subsequently Ziegenfuss saw a man in Yokohama who had come from Manila. This man denied the report of Sims' death but corroborated the news of Sims being ill with cholera.

News of the condition of Sims will be cabled to Mr. Ziegenfuss at San Francisco and he stated before the Gaelic sailed last night for the Coast that he would send word by the first steamer regarding the progress of the former Honolulu man.

## AERIAL LADDER.

Fire Commissioner Charles Crozier, blacksmith at the Honolulu Iron Works, will leave shortly for the Mainland on a vacation after twelve years steady work on the islands. While absent he will look into the matter of an aerial ladder and truck with which it has been determined to supply the department.

## CHIEFESS GOING HOME.

Miss Talitana Tuitele, a Tutuilan chiefess, is returning to Pago Pago after an extended visit in Honolulu. She will leave tonight on the Siberia.

## SEMI-WEEKLY STAR.

Honolulu people who are going abroad can have the Semi-Weekly Star mailed to any address for the small sum of twenty-five cents a month. The Semi-Weekly Star contains all the local news of importance, besides the daily stock quotations.



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## AMERICAN ISLANDS TO BE LOOKED AFTER

WASHINGTON, August 10.—Orders have been issued by the Navy Department providing for a visit of the cruiser Adams to Wake Island and the Midway Islands, in the Pacific ocean, belonging to the United States. This action has been determined on as a result of a recent communication received at the department from the master of the transport Buford, who reported that while approaching Wake Island in June last he discovered it inhabited by a party of Japanese. While the steamship Nero was making a survey of the Pacific for a trans-Pacific cable in 1899 she discovered the Midway Islands were also inhabited by Japanese, which was somewhat surprising, as the islands always have belonged to this Government.

The Adams will be in charge of Commander Fox, who will make an investigation of the circumstances connected with the case of both Wake Island and the Midway Islands, and if it is ascertained that the Japanese have settled in those islands with the sanction of their Government with a view of laying the basis for a claim of sovereignty over them, representations will be made to Japan on the subject for the purpose of securing their removal.

The Japanese explained that they had been left on the island by a Yokohama schooner and that they were engaged in fishing. The navy official suggested that this statement was intended to deceive and that the men were really pearl hunters.

## John M. Thurston a Visitor

Ex-United States Senator John M. Thurston was a passenger for Honolulu on the Sierra, being ex-officio, a member of Senator Burton's party. Senator Thurston is not connected in any way with the committee, although the coast press has read a significance in his visit at this particular time.

Senator Thurston is now engaged in the practice of law at Washington and acknowledge that he is here to attract to private legal matters. These affairs, it is claimed by the Californian press, are connected with the interests of Eastern sugar men, and therefore with the question of the claimed crown lands on which plantation property is situated.

The question of the crown lands is one of the matters to be taken up by the Senatorial Commission and his trip on the same steamer with Senator Burton was thought significant, although Mr. Thurston disclaimed having anything to do with Liliuokalani's interests and claims. To a local interviewer Mr. Thurston spoke as follows:

"I am not a live senator you know, only an 'ex.' I have come down here for only a short while and expect to return on September the ninth. It has been playfully suggested that I should remain here and return as delegate, but I think the only consideration that would tempt me would be the question of the mileage. I used to get a good round sum coming from Nebraska, but Mr. Wilcox must have a nice little purse for his trip. I have some business here which I am not at liberty to disclose. I also expect to get some sun bathing and sea bathing during the few days which I shall spend here. I have friends here who I am anxious to see and the meeting with whom will be one of the pleasures of my trip. There is Judge Bates who was permanent chairman of the convention, nominated Harrison when I was temporary chairman, and Dr. Galbraith, chief surgeon for the Union Pacific Railroad when I was chief counsel for that road."

Senator Thurston is a great believer in the good that will accrue to Hawaii from the cable. He anticipates that the passenger traffic to the islands will be increased ten-fold. He states that the prospects are bright for the nomination of President Roosevelt, two years hence, and that he is the logical candidate of the Republican party. Bryan, he adds, still a strong candidate, and has a large Democratic following.

The senator takes active interest in national politics, and according to the S. F. Chronicle, a strong supporter of the administration, including the presidential attitude on Cuban reciprocity. Senator Thurston states that the Republican convention of his own state, Nebraska, "unqualifiedly endorsed the present administration in the face of the adverse attitude of two Nebraska senators." He is, with Mrs. Thurston, located at the Hawaiian Hotel.

While Senator Thurston is reluctant about the object of his visit, it is believed, upon good authority to be in connection with the Kohala Ditch proposition. He is known to have legally aided J. P. McCrosson when the latter was in Washington in the interests of the Hawaiian Ditch bill, which is confidently expected to pass successfully through Congress next session.

## Burton In An Amiable Mood

United States Senator J. R. Burton, chairman of the Senatorial Investigation committee arrived on the Sierra this morning, twelve days ahead of the rest of the commission. He is accompanied by his wife, by Dr. Dennis W. King of Joplin, Missouri, his secretary, and by Mr. De Knight of Washington, D. C. who accompanies the senator with the view of making a pleasure trip.

Senator Burton, who has been located in a suite of rooms in the mauka-ewa corner of the ground floor of the Hawaiian Hotel, was enthusiastic over his first impressions as was Mrs. Burton. A carnation and a malle lei lay on a center table in the apartments and the senator made the wreath the keynote of a galaxy of delightful things about his first glimpse of the territory.

"You can say," he said, "if you want to say anything, that Mrs. Burton and myself are not going to leave here until we are forced to do so. Our approach to the islands and the glimpses we have so far obtained have been far beyond our expectations. There is nothing like a personal visit to sum up a territory. We had splendid weather on the voyage, charming company, a perfect commander in Captain Houliette and, well to show you the humor I am in, just make out your estimates for what you want in the territory and you'll get it. You say you want money to run this delightful community and you certainly will have to have it. I am going to enjoy myself until Senators Foster and Mitchell arrive on the second and then I am going to make them do all the work."

Speaking more seriously, Senator

## AN ELOPING COUPLE.

The Couple passed through here the other day with an eloping couple on board. The woman is the wife of Kid McCoy, the pugilist; the man is Ralph Thompson of Schenectady, New York.

## FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

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Officials of the Japanese legation do not believe their Government has countenanced any action on the part of its subjects infringing upon a merican sovereignty in the Pacific. Japan is anxious to maintain the most cordial relations with the United States.

The Adams will also touch at the Hawaiian Islands and will visit each one of the group.

KNOXVILLE (Tenn.), August 12.—In connection with the Associated Press dispatch to the effect that the United States cruiser Adams had been ordered to visit Wake Island immediately in order to controvert the settlement made upon it by Japanese, a letter has been received here from Nathan Gammon, son of Alderman George A. Gammon, which gives an entirely different status of affairs at Wake Island from that which was reported to the Navy Department. Gammon is now in Manila, but on June 22 he was at Wake Island. The relevant paragraph is:

"Sunday, June 22, 8 p. m.—We passed Wake Island about 5:30 p. m. It was supposed to be uninhabited, so when we sighted a sailboat coming out to meet us we were very much stirred up at finding some half-starved castaways. The boat contained five Japanese. They stated they had been on the island three months. Their ship had been wrecked."

Gammon was a passenger on the transport Buford when the letter was written and his information was first hand.

## MAIL SERVICE IMPROVEMENT

NEW YORK, August 12.—A special to the Sun from Washington says: The officials of the Postoffice Department have again taken up for consideration the question of the mail schedule between San Francisco and New Zealand, with the idea of making some arrangements more satisfactory to large New York interests having connections in that part of the world. At present it takes nine weeks for a letter to be dispatched from New Zealand to New York and an answer received, and this long interval could be practically cut in half if mail steamers were required to remain but two days longer at San Francisco. This additional forty-eight hours would permit New Zealand mails to be dispatched from San Francisco to New York and an answer received at San Francisco in time to connect with the regular steamer.

The Postoffice Department has heretofore been unable to extend satisfactory assurances in answer to numerous complaints from New York and Boston, but in view of the fact that the mail contract with the Oceanic Steamship Company will soon expire, it is certain that the unsatisfactory conditions will be remedied.

## RUSSIAN SUGAR LEGISLATION.

LONDON, August 13.—In a dispatch from Brussels the correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says it is affirmed there that negotiations with the powers are likely to result in a separate treaty under the terms of which Russia will recognize the Brussels sugar convention and modify her internal sugar legislation.

## THE CHOLERA SITUATION IS WELL IN HAND

WASHINGTON, August 13.—Surgeon-General Forwood said today that he was satisfied that the cholera situation in the Philippines was well under control and that there would be a general diminution in the number of cases from now on. He declared that all the latest information from the Philippines was favorable to the early suppression of the scourge. The chief factor in that direction was the rainy season, which General Forwood said, had already opened and will continue until November.

## MONEY FOR COURTS

Attorney General Dole is preparing an agreed statement of facts to be submitted to the Supreme Court, to find out if the Circuit courts can be supplied with money by a transfer of funds from the police appropriation to the court appropriation to make up for payments of bailiffs' salaries. The petition is based on a demand made by Judge Humphreys on the auditor and by him refused. It is claimed that the bailiffs should have been paid by the police department, and not out of the court's current expenses fund, as they have been. Associate Justice Perry is the only member of the Supreme court here now, and if the matter is heard at once, he will call two members of the bar to sit with him. Judge Gear held court without any jury this morning. The Grand jury continued its work and will finish what it has to do.

## INCOME TAX SUIT.

Col. Fitch this morning amended the petition in his income tax suit before Judge Estee, by striking out the name of William H. Wright as a defendant, and that of S. Roth and company as a plaintiff.

## COURT MARTIAL VERDICT.

The report of the court martial which sat at Camp McKinley recently and tried Corporal Thornton on a charge of falsifying accounts, was received by the Sierra, by Attorney Frank Thompson, who defended the soldier. Thornton was acquitted.

## CAPE HATTEN BLOCKADED.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—Commander McCrea of the gunboat Machias today cabled the Navy Department that a de facto blockade had been established by the insurgents at Cape Hatten.

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## FOUR NEW CITIZENS

NATURALIZATIONS AND BANKRUPTCY CASES.

Judge Estee Has Much Business—Star Soda Works Is Adjudged Bankrupt—Wright Contempt.

United States Judge Estee reopened court this morning after a brief interval, and spent most of the morning naturalizing citizens and dealing with bankruptcy petitions. Jose da Costa of Portugal, Charles Koelling of Germany, W. W. Carlyle of Canada and O. J. Shaw of England satisfactorily answered the questions put to them by the Judge, and were vouched for by the necessary witnesses, and all were sworn in as Americans.

The contempt citation against Treasurer W. H. Wright was dismissed. This is the citation secured on account of Wright's failure to clean up Primo saloons, when Judge Estee enjoined him from granting more licenses. The saloons are all about to close anyhow now, and the case against Wright was not pressed.

The petition to declare S. W. Lederer a bankrupt was taken up and most of the morning was occupied by Attorney Thayer on a motion to dissolve the injunction against the High Sheriff, restraining him from proceeding against Lederer under some executions issued out of the District Court of Honolulu. It was announced that Lederer is very severely ill and could not appear in court. Judge Estee postponed the matter for ten days, taking Thayer's motion under advisement.

The bankruptcy case of Lum Tong was continued to tomorrow. The petition was dismissed in the case of H. Akona, and that of L. Vasconcelles was postponed.

The Star Soda Works was adjudged bankrupt on the testimony of Col. C. J. McCarthy, president. He said that the corporation owed about \$5,000, and had property worth four or five thousand dollars.

The cases of Katherine Pitz and H. Tortens against Wilder's Steamship Company, suits for damages for effects lost on the barkentine William Carson, were called. No appearance was made for the defense, and the court ordered the company notified that default would be entered tomorrow unless a defense was made.

## KOREA MAKES FRISCO.

Gaelic Is Rushing Along With New Boat's Crew.

The S. S. Gaelic, Captain Finch, arrived yesterday afternoon from the Orient nearly a day ahead of time. The vessel is being rushed to San Francisco as rapidly as possible in order that she can get the Chinese crew. Intended for the S. S. Korea in that port, in time to enable the Korea to sail August 26. When the Gaelic sailed at 10 o'clock last night, it was thought certain, barring accidents, that she would make San Francisco in time to make the transfer of the crew, so that the Korea could get away nearly or about on schedule time.

The crew numbered 195 Chinese and will be officered by white men. The Korea reached San Francisco the morning of August 11, 53 days from New York. She had an uneventful trip. This news was brought this morning by the Sierra which arrived from San Francisco.

## TIDAL WAVE REPORTED.

People in the vicinity of the Myrtle Boat House yesterday morning report a tidal wave there. The water suddenly receded to an unusual extent and as suddenly rushed forward and dashed over the seawall along Kakaako point. No damage was done although the people who were in the vicinity of the place at the time were frightened.

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